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DEGROAT HOUSE  
Havre de Grace, Md.

late 19th century

This well maintained two story two bay wide frame house has a slate gable roof and several additions on the rear. It is hidden from the street by trees and bushes. From the rear the house has an obstructed view of the Susquehanna River at the point where it flows into the Chesapeake Bay. Also at the rear, the property, having flower and vegetable gardens, is terraced.

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

DeGroat House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

825 Market St.

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

William Chesney DeGroat

Telephone #: 939-0268

STREET &amp; NUMBER

825 S. Market St.

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21078

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County

Liber #: 823  
Folio #: 473

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Main St.

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air, Md.

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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# **7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

825 Market St. is a two story two bay wide frame dwelling located on Market St. facing west. A vacant lot, the result of land fill after a hurricane in the 1960's, is on the north and The Bayou Hotel property, now owned by the City of Havre de Grace, is on the south and southeast. The land behind the house-terraced and planted-runs to the Susquehanna River at the point where the river flows into the Chesapeake Bay. A two story frame addition on the rear with a one story addition on its rear wall gives the entire structure a T-shape plan. The house is covered with weather boards and painted white with green trim. It is thought to have been built in the late 1850's.

A six bay veranda extends across the front and around the south elevation, main section. It has a shed roof supported by tapering pillars and a fence rail balustrade.

Windows on the front elevation have 2/2 light double hung sash flanked by louvered shutters. Most of the other windows in the house have either 2/2 or 2/1 light sash. A modern three part bay window has been added to the first floor south elevation of the wing.

The main entrance is in the north bay, front elevation. The door, half paneled half glass, has a one light transom above it.

The main section has a slate gable flank roof while the wing has a lower gable roof with the ridge perpendicular to the main block.

Outbuildings: Two vertical board outbuildings are in the rear.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The De Groat House, a well maintained two story two bay wide frame house under a slate gable roof, has a rear wing with several additions on it. The 1858 Herrick Map of Harford County shows a house on this location, with the name J. Boyd beside it. The main section of the house is believed to date from the 1850's, although it appears to have been built later. The location of the house is outstanding. The owner's finding themselves on a busy street, near Tyding's Park (which becomes a congested area on the weekends), have assured privacy by planting extensively all around the house and orienting their activities, flower and vegetable garden etc., to the rear, where the ground is terraced as it descends to the Suquehanna River, (at the point where the River flows into the Chesapeake Bay.) The south side of the De Groat property is bordered by the Bayou Hotel grounds. (HA-1127)

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**MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Marion Morton-Historic Sites Surveyor

July 26, 1977

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis, Md.

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
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HAVRE DE GRACE, MD.  
SE/4 HAVRE DE GRACE 15' QUADRANGLE  
N3930-W7600/7.5

1953  
PHOTO RE-USED 1970  
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Sand

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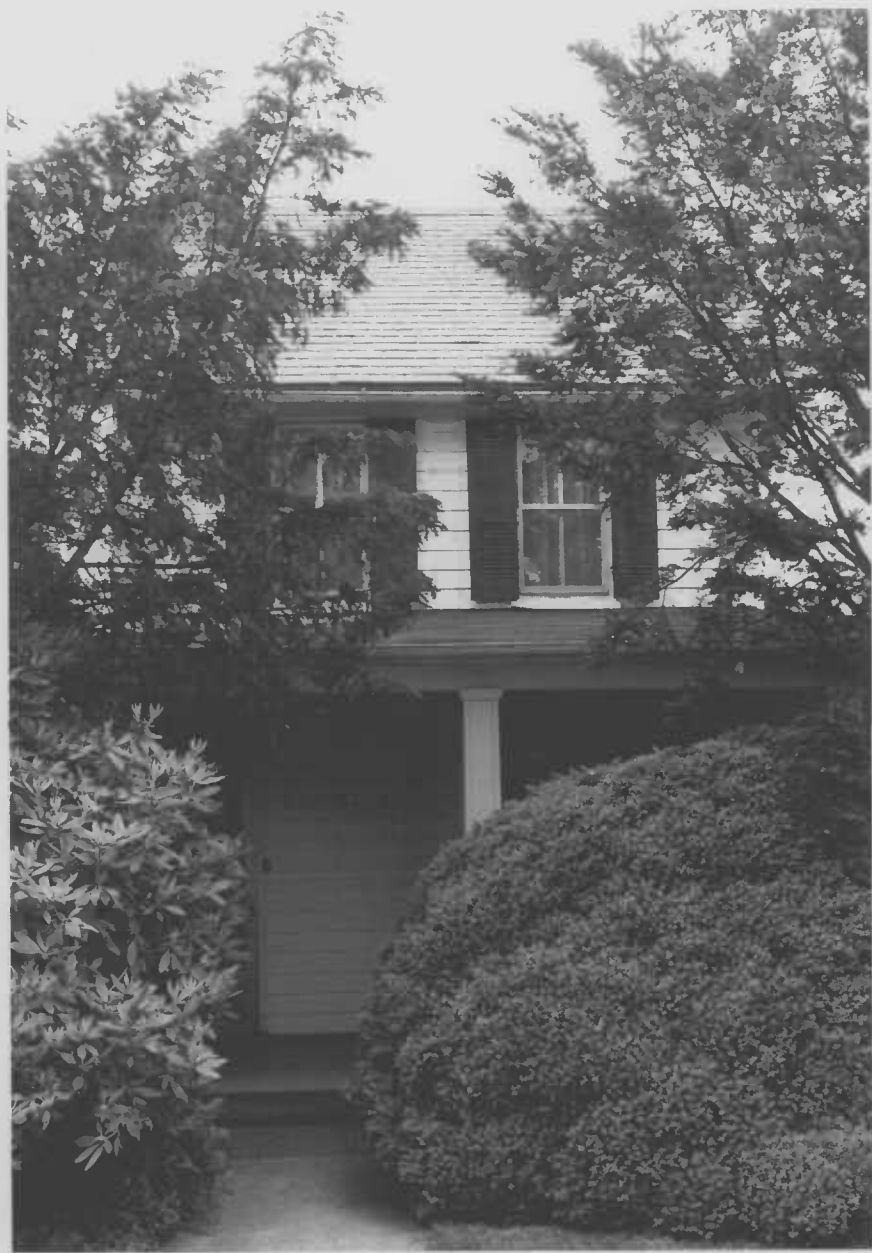


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South Elev.

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DeGroat House  
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West Facade

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